GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services - Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries Department - Allegation of corruption of demand and acceptance of bribe against Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director, O/o Deputy Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari District - Trapped on 27-04-2009 - Sanction for prosecution - Accorded - Regarding

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRY DEVELOPMENT & FISHERIES (VS) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 89 <u>Dated:22.12.2009</u>

ORDER:

- 1. WHEREAS, Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, S/o Jagannadham Naidu, worked as Assistant Director, Office of Deputy Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari District, from 30-04-2008 to 27-04-2009 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of a public servant as defined under section 2 (c) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.
- 2. AND WHEREAS, Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao S/o Surya Rao is a resident of Bhimadole village & Mandal, West Godavari District and he is an agriculturist.
- AND WHEREAS, it is alleged that Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao and his wife Smt. Krishna Kumari wanted to convert their agriculture land of ac.4.50 situated in R.S.No.335/4/A of Lingampalem village as fish tanks and Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao approached the office of Deputy Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari district in order to get the information in this regard. Having been told by the staff, Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao met Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director, Office of Deputy Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari District and when enquired, he asked Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao to bring the zerox copies of the Pattadar Pass Book of the land possessed by his wife along with a Demand Draft for Rs.1000/- in favour of the Deputy Director, Fisheries, Eluru. Accordingly, Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao met Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao on 17.04.2009 who obtained an application from Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao and asked to pay Rs.10,000/- as bribe in order to get it recommended by the Mandal and District Committee for obtaining permission from the District Collector. He also added that Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao could give Rs.5,000/- before processing the application and the balance of Rs.5,000/- after sanction of loan. When Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao pleaded his inability to pay the bribe amount, Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director sent Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao challenging that he would see how the permission is accorded to him. Later, Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao met Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao in this regard twice or thrice and finally on 25.04.2009 when he met and pleaded him, he reduced the bribe to Rs.8,000/- and asked to pay Rs.3,000/- first and the remaining Rs.5,000/- after the bank loan is sanctioned. Having no other alternative Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao accepted to pay the bribe and reported the same to the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Eluru on 25.04.2009. The same was entrusted to the Inspector for causing discreet enquiry. After receipt of report from the District Inspector, the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Eluru registered the report of Sri Adi Gangadhar Rao as a case in Cr.No.05/RCT-EWG/2009 under section 7&13(1)(d) read with 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 27.04.2009 and arrangements were made for laying trap;
- 4. AND WHEREAS, after completing the pre-trap proceedings on 27.04.2009, the trap party reached the vicinity of State Bank of India, Main Branch, Eluru where Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director & Sri Vasupalli Nageswara Rao, formerly Assistant Inspector of Fisheries were trapped at about

5.50 PM and when the fingers of both hands of Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao were subjected to Sodium Carbonate solution test, the right hand fingers only yielded positive result. In pursuance of the statement of Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao the diary in which the tainted amount kept by Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao was recovered from Sri Vasupalli Nageswara Rao, who was holding it on the request of Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao. The Sodium Carbonate solution test conducted on the surface of the pages, which came into contact with the tainted amount yielded positive result. The Sodium Carbonate solution test conducted on the fingers of the both hands of Sri Vasupalli Nageswara Rao yielded negative result. The Deputy Superintendent of Police seized the tainted amount, resultant solutions and remaining Sodium Carbonate powder;

- 5. AND WHEREAS, the above said acts of Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari district constitute offences punishable under sections 7 & 13(2) read with 13(1)(d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988;
- 6. AND WHEREAS, the Government of Andhra Pradesh, being the competent authority to remove Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari district from service after fully and carefully examining the material (i.e. FIR, Mediator Namas I & II, Gist of statement of witnesses and copies of made up files etc.,) placed before them in respect of the said allegations and the circumstances of the case consider that Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari district should be prosecuted in a court of law.
- 7. NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (b) of Sub-Section (1) of the Section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, the Government hereby accord sanction for the Prosecution of Sri Sasubilli Narayana Rao, formerly Assistant Director of Fisheries, Eluru, West Godavari district for the above said offences punishable under sections 7 & 13 (2) read with 13(1)(d) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of Law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid said acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General,
Anti-Corruption Bureau,
Andhra Pradesh,
Hyderabad.